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CHICAGO	23	73	30	88 86
COPENHAGEN	18	24	28	63 82
FRANKFURT	17	23	26	63 79
GENEVA	14	17	20	59 68
HONG KONG	28	24	32	82 90
JOHANNESBURG	28	23	30	82 86
LONDON	20	20	23	68 71
LISBON	20	20	23	68 71
MONTREAL	17	23	26	63 79
NEW YORK	22	72	30	88 86
OSLO	22	72	30	88 86
RIO DE JANEIRO	18	24	28	75 82
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STOCKHOLM	18	24	28	75 82
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THE WEATHER

Forecast: Fair	Yesterday's Humidity	Yesterday's Min-Max	Today's Min-Max
Jerusalem	30	16-27	26
Golan	30	17-27	27
Nahariya	61	20-30	29
Safed	45	17-28	27
Haifa Port	63	24-29	29
Tiberias	35	23-35	35
Nazareth	35	19-29	28
Afula	48	21-31	30
Shomron	45	20-29	28
Tel Aviv	62	22-29	29
B-G Airport	54	22-30	30
Jericho	34	24-37	36
Gaza	34	23-28	28
Beersheba	19	20-33	33
Eilat	15	27-41	40

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The Rotary Club will hold a business meeting at the Tel Aviv Hilton at 1.15 p.m. today.

Leland Blackfield, Honolulu, planted a grove of trees in his father William Blackfield's memory yesterday in the Jewish National Fund's John F. Kennedy peace forest in Jerusalem.

Officer buried

KIRYAT TIVON (Itim). — Rav-Seren Amir Galili, killed in the bomb attack near Hasbaya in Southern Lebanon Monday, was buried at the military cemetery here yesterday.

Among the thousands of mourners were many members of Kibbutz Shamir, where Galili was born and educated. Galili's mother was killed nine years ago at Shamir, in Upper Galilee, in a terrorist attack.

The funeral was attended by Mapam secretary-general Victor Shemtov and journalists from *Al-Hamishmar*, where Galili's father, Yosef Galili, works.

"For how long will fathers bury their sons? I call on the leaders of this country to bring the boys home," said the bereaved father at the graveside.

ARENS EXPECTS

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Amnon Rubinstein (Shinui) said that one of the reasons given by the civil administration for the dismissal of the Hebron mayor was that he had petitioned the High Court of Justice with respect to building in the market area. This was most serious from the aspect of the rule of law, he said.

Yair Tsaban (Mapam) said that the government wants to rule over all of Eretz Yisrael, disregarding the presence of the other people living here. This is the source of the tragedy, he said.

Pinhas Goldstein (Liberals) called for strong measures against stone-throwers, tire-burners, and knife-wielders. These measures should include the sealing and destruction of houses, and deportation.

Tewfik Toubi (Democratic Movement) blamed the government and its "policy of conquest and settlement" for all the blood spilled on the West Bank and in Lebanon.

Rabbi Haim Druckman (Matzad) said that only "a strong hand" would demonstrate to the Arabs the government's determination to settle the Jewish quarter of Hebron.

Gedea Cohen (Tehiya) said that the hesitant settlement policy in Judea and Samaria encourages Arab riots and terrorism.

All the motions, except Toubi's, were referred to the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee.

Asher Wallfish adds:
Two Alignment doves on the Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee say they will boycott a committee tour of Hebron next Monday.

Yosef Sarid (Labour) and Victor Shemtov (Mapam) wrote chairman Eliahu Ben-Elissar that since the committee will meet only with Jews, the tour will be worthless because it will show only one side of the picture.

Arens urged to lift ban on Palmah songs

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The director of the Histadrut's cultural and education centre has complained to Defence Minister Moshe Arens about his ban against playing Palmah songs at the IDF exhibition in Tel Aviv.

HOME NEWS

Ben-Eliezer confirmed coordinator for areas

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Post Defence Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Tat-Aluf (res) Binyamin Ben-Eliezer, who has criticized some of the government's policies in the West Bank, yesterday was appointed coordinator of government operations in the administered territories.

In an interview this week, he reiterated his criticism of Jewish settlement in Hebron and recommended a conciliatory attitude towards Arab notables.

"One must strive for a dialogue with pragmatic elements in the West Bank with a view to gradually handing over the local administration," he said.

An official announcement issued by the office of Defence Minister Moshe Arens said Ben-Eliezer will assume the post Sunday. He will replace Rehavia Vardi, who asked to be relieved when Arens became minister several months ago.

Ben-Eliezer was military commander of Judea and Samaria from May 1978 to October 1981. He had several confrontations with Jewish settlers and was sympathetic to the Arab Village Leagues, reportedly calling them "scarecrows" and "quaislings."

Under present circumstances, the developments in Hebron were unavoidable, Ben-Eliezer said in reply to a question this week. "The basic element is that two nations live together in the same area. Both live in uncertainty. The Arab nation lives in almost total uncertainty and that leads to total alienation. That's why what has happened is a

perfectly natural phenomenon."

In criticizing plans for Jewish settlement inside Hebron, he said, "I am not against Kiryat Arba, as it exists and will develop. But moving into the heart of the Arab population — this is a process you must expect to pay a price for... the question is whether this developing process is helpful or harmful. I think it is harmful."

Asked about the role Hebron's deposed mayor Mustafa Natshe had in this process of deteriorating relations, Ben-Eliezer said, "I appointed him after the previous mayor Fahd Kawasme was deported. The man himself differs from the type of a militant personality and the question is how could we bring Natshe to help and cooperate (with us). (Our) policy and concept should be defined and we must proceed towards an all-encompassing dialogue. I, for example, think there was reason to increase the dialogue with all mayors before the incident and I hope there will be no more such incidents. I think that with Natshe, too, we had to sit down and talk."

The new coordinator, who is 47, was born in Iraq and walked to Palestine when 18 years old.

When terrorists took over the school in Ma'alot in 1974, he led units of his Druze brigade and occupied the building. He later went several times to Beirut to maintain contact with the Phalangists. After leaving the army he became Tami's secretary-general, but because he was disenchanted with politics, he went into private business.

Herut picks Cohen-Avidov to run for mayor of Haifa

By DAVID RUDGE
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Likud MK Meir Cohen-Avidov was chosen as Herut's candidate to run for mayor of Haifa in the forthcoming municipal elections at a stormy branch meeting here last night. His rival for the post, Yael Rom, withdrew her nomination at the last minute after failing to get the meeting postponed.

According to Herut sources, Rom, her husband Likud MK Yosef Rom and about 20 of her supporters who are not members of the branch council staged a noisy 30-minute demonstration.

But the election went ahead despite the shouts and protests, with 46 of the 64 council members pre-

sent voting for Cohen-Avidov. The other 15 abstained. The decision has to be ratified by Herut's national executive.

Cohen-Avidov said Rom will not be admitted to the Herut branch office in future unless she agrees to accept the election result. He said there are even plans to change the locks on the door so that she cannot use her existing key.

Rom had earlier complained about what she described as the disproportionate membership of the branch council. Last week, she said that when the council elections were held in 1982, her supporters received only two of the 71 seats, even though her group won 49 per cent of the votes.

Pentagon hears Israel's plans for redeployment

By WOLF BLITZER
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — Defence Ministry Director-General Aluf (res.) Menahem Meron was at the Pentagon yesterday, reportedly presenting Israel's tentative plans for a troop redeployment in Lebanon.

Meron, a former military attaché at the embassy here, met with U.S. under-secretary of defence Fred Ikle and other senior Pentagon officials.

Almost at the same time, under-secretary of state for political affairs Lawrence Eagleburger was discussing with the embassy's minister Binyamin Netanyahu that issue as well as other matters on the U.S.-Israeli agenda, including Prime Minister Menachem Begin's July 27 scheduled meeting with U.S. President Ronald Reagan at the White House. Netanyahu has just returned to Washington from a visit to Jerusalem.

U.S. and Israeli officials stressed that the Reagan administration and the Begin government are closely consulting on the situation in Lebanon in further preparation for the Reagan-Begin summit, which will follow Reagan's meeting next

week with Lebanese President Amin Gemayel.

There have been repeated reports in the U.S. news media in recent days that the Syrians intend to dispatch a high-level delegation to Washington as part of the U.S.-Syrian "working group" established during Secretary of State George Shultz's recent visit to Damascus. But the State Department yesterday denied that any plans for such a visit had been concluded.

At a brief White House ceremony late Tuesday afternoon, Ambassador Meir Rosenne presented his diplomatic credentials to Reagan.

According to Rosenne, the president told him that he is looking forward to Begin's visit. Reagan was said to have conceded that there have been some "misunderstandings" with the Israeli government in recent months, but Rosenne quoted Reagan as adding: "That happens in every family."

The two men exchanged formal letters, as required under diplomatic protocol. In Reagan's letter, the president referred to the close ties between Washington and Jerusalem, pledging to try to strengthen them even further in the months and years ahead.

LEVY CONFIRMS

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Implying that he had recently met with Lebanese military leaders, Levy said they had assured him that the Lebanese army could now take over the whole area of Southern Lebanon occupied by the IDF. "In conjunction with the Multi-National force," the Lebanese should have "no problem" taking over the 20 per cent of Israeli-held territory the IDF plans to withdraw from, said Levy.

Regarding the West Bank, Levy said that the settlement of Jews in Hebron's Jewish Quarter would not fundamentally change the security situation or the IDF's burden in the territories.

While trying to avoid outright expressions of political opinion, Levy said that the West Bank is vital to Israeli security under present circumstances, in which some Arab states wish to conquer Israel or parts of it.

Reuters yesterday reported a large number of Israeli armoured vehicles heading south through Lebanon towards the Israeli border. They cited eyewitness accounts as the basis for their report.

About 25 Israeli armoured personnel carriers were driven through the southern port city of Sidon yesterday morning, while about 50 armoured vehicles and 100 trucks waited at an Israeli airfield near the town of Damour farther north, the Reuters informants said.

The Associated Press said that Israeli jets flew over Southern Lebanon in day-long mock attacks yesterday, a day after the defence ministers of Syria and Israel toured their frontlines and traded threats.

Waves of Israeli warplanes pumelled the population in thunderous mock dive-bombings over Sidon and surrounding towns and villages, telephoned reports from Sidon said.

No confirmation on African official's visit

Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Ministry spokesman Avi Pazner yesterday said he did not know anything about a reported recent visit to Israel by the finance minister of the Central African Republic, Sylvester Benghi.

A report of Benghi's visit, and his meetings with Premier Menachem Begin and other ministers, was carried in yesterday's *Keteret Rashit*.

The magazine said an Israeli state would soon resume diplomatic relations with Israel, but no corroboration could be found.

MEHTA. — The Kuwait meteorological administration yesterday reported the highest temperature in a decade — 50 degrees Centigrade.

Yadin: No gov't decision on Hebron

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The re-establishment of a Jewish quarter in Hebron would be a great mistake, and there is no government decision to proceed in that direction, Prof. Yigal Yadin, former deputy prime minister, said yesterday.

Yadin was interviewed on Israel Radio's *Today* programme.

He said that Kiryat Arba, overlooking Hebron, was established for the purpose of preventing and making unnecessary Jewish settlement within the city.

He denied reports that there was a binding government decision dating from March 1980 to re-establish Hebron's Jewish quarter. "There was a decision to that effect, but after a lively argument in which minister (of agriculture) Arik Sharon took the other side, I persuaded the prime minister to transfer the matter to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and Security. Since the Likud at that time didn't have a majority there, the idea got nowhere."

Yadin said that any move to re-establish the Jewish quarter in Hebron would have to be based on a completely new proposal and decision.

Answering a question on the protection of settlers, Yadin said: "Anyone who wants to settle in a heavily populated area ought to know that this is liable to lead to friction. I'm sure the IDF is doing all it can, but it's impossible to put a soldier on every building."

Patt: No change in economic policy

Post Economic Reporter

Industry Minister Gideon Patt yesterday strongly denied to the press that the government is planning a major change in economic policy. But Patt expressed concern about the balance of payments problem, which has given rise to recent rumours of an economic change of course, and said that priority should be given to this problem.

Despite the denials, political and economic observers seem united in their judgment that the Treasury is seriously considering measures.

Yesterday it was reported that the Treasury will demand from the various ministries a total of IS\$4 billion in spending cuts.

This sum is roughly equal to the estimate of public spending above the planned budget for 1983/4.

The excess spending has been caused by export encouragement schemes, expenditures linked to the Lavie project, the prolonged involvement in Lebanon, subsidies to basic commodities, and other items.

JEWISH

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Arba local council, Yehuda Ritter, written to Natshe on December 6, 1981, in which he demands the sum of IS\$70,000 as repayment for services provided to the Jewish settlers inside Hebron by Kiryat Arba.

These expenses include "IS\$250,000 for a generator for security lighting, IS\$20,000 for patrols by a security jeep, IS\$50,000 for salaries of guards" plus sundry items such as transport for children and playground furniture.

"This request to you follows instructions from the Israeli Interior Ministry (the deputy Director-General Mr. Shaham) and in accordance with the wishes of the cabinet and the prime minister all of whom received a copy of this letter before it was sent to you," Ritter wrote. He also reminded Natshe of the fate of his predecessor, Fahd Kawasme, who was dismissed and expelled after the 1980 attack on Beit Hadassah.

When the association first applied to register with the registrar of associations in the West Bank in the mid-seventies the then military commander of Judea and Samaria Tat-Aluf (Res.) David Haguel turned down the request.

Haguel, now director-general of the Energy Ministry, scribbled across their application that "these people are trouble-makers and they will disturb peace and security."

MEHTA. — A Zubin Mehta chair of musicology has been established at the Hebrew University. Funds were raised by the Canadian friends of the university.

Old-timers testify at Arlosoroff inquiry

TEL AVIV (Itim). — The state commission of inquiry into the 1933 murder of Jewish Agency leader Chaim Arlosoroff yesterday heard testimony from septuagenarians and octogenarians, most of whom tried to explain why they had not reported what they knew at the time to mandatory authorities.

First on the stand was bookstore owner Yeheskel Steimatzky, 82. He said that on the night of the murder, which took place on the Tel Aviv beach, Avraham Stavsky, convicted of the murder but acquitted on appeal, was in Jerusalem, Revisionist activist Yehoshua Lichter had approached him that day, Steimatzky related, for help in obtaining a visa for Stavsky to go to Greece to smuggle immigrant into the country.

The efforts were unsuccessful, but Stavsky, who borrowed a Russian book and bought a Russian newspaper from him, decided to remain in Jerusalem for the night, Steimatzky said.

The next day, when suspicions were cast on the Revisionists after the killing, he and other party members went to Tel Aviv for consultations. None of those present knew Stavsky, according to Steimatzky.

The following Monday morning, police came to question him about Stavsky and took fingerprints from the store's door. Steimatzky saw a lawyer, and the next day the two of them went to see a Capt. Rice, explaining that if it was suspected that Jews were involved in the murder it could have been a Jewish communist or a provocateur, but not a Revisionist, he told the inquiry.

Attorney Emanuel Duek testified that as a clerk at the time, he used to sit in court and observe trials. He told the commission that Stavsky, whose trial he saw, did not "walk like a duck" — a description of the killer given by Arlosoroff's wife Sima. Abdul-Majid, on the other hand, Duek said, referring to a convicted man who allegedly confessed

to the killing, did have such a gait. The witness had not reported his observation to anyone connected with the investigation at the time.

Also testifying was Hanan Zablitzky, who said he was relieving himself of 49 years of a guilty conscience. He admitted to having committed perjury against an Arab subsequently convicted of shooting fruit from an orchard near Kfar Sava. The real thieves were police, he said, who took the fruit for a New Year's Eve party, and pressed him, a guard at the orchard, to lie.

The connection with the Arlosoroff murder emerged when Zablitzky added that another witness at the fruit-theft trial, Ibrahim Abu Rajej, confided in him that police had previously induced him to manufacture evidence against Stavsky. The Arab said that plaster casts of "Stavsky's footprints" allegedly taken from the scene of the crime were faked — he had found no footprints.



Minnesota Attorney-General Hubert Humphrey III yesterday hands Prime Minister Menachem Begin a gift painting of the home of his late father, for many years a U.S. senator and vice-president under Lyndon Johnson in the 1960s. On the table is a bust of the late Hubert Humphrey, also a gift to Begin from the visitor, who is running for U.S. Senate elections in his state in 1984. (Zoom 77)

Court: No PoW status for Ansar detainees

The High Court of Justice yesterday turned down a request by several prisoners at the Ansar camp in Lebanon and their lawyers that they be officially declared prisoners of war or that their detention be deemed illegal.

The court strongly affirmed its authority to rule in the matter, and noted with approval the state's promise that arrangements will be concluded to allow the detainees to meet Israeli lawyers. Until now, they have been unable to do so.

The official prisoner of war status was denied, the court said, because not even *prima facie* evidence had been presented to show that the detainees were a "party to a conflict," as required by the Geneva Convention. Nor were they shown to have fulfilled its requirement that armed forces wear recognizable uniforms, bear weapons openly and observe the rules of warfare.

But the Geneva Convention on treating the population in occupied territory does apply, the bench of Deputy president Meir Shamgar and Justices Aharon Barak and Shoshana Netanyahu ruled. Substance is more important than form, they said, rejecting the state's argument that since no military government has been installed, it cannot be considered occupying.

This finding imposing an obligation on the occupying army to adopt, as far as possible under the overriding requirements of security, "behaviour appropriate to civilized peoples," wrote Shamgar. This includes the prisoners' right to appeal against their detention and access to the International Red Cross, for instance, both of which have been granted.

It also demands that they be allowed access to lawyers from the occupying power, and this, the army

has now stated that it will make possible, thus granting the application in the case, attorneys Felicia Lavi, Lea Tsemel, Walid Fahum, Mohammed Na'ama, a political victory on at least one matter.

Using the same argument, court granted the army a near hand in carrying out the detention. In a significant procedural ruling the court affirmed its authority to hear the petition. It rejected arguments that the detainees are not citizens and were not caught in Israeli territory, and that their detention is an "act of state" and of military policy, and therefore not judicially reviewable.

The army, like all other organs of the state executive branch, is subject to judicial review, the judges wrote, when legal aspects of its actions, as opposed to purely tactical ones, are challenged. (Itim)

Man sentenced to life for murder

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A 19-year-old man from Ganei Tikva was sentenced yesterday by the district court here to life imprisonment after being convicted of the murder of Dutch tourist Bob Soutine on February 4.

David Effinger, called "Dede" by his friends, shot and killed Soutine in a hut in Ganei Tikva owned by Shlomo Sharon.

Effinger denied that he had intended to kill Soutine, but confessed to most of the other charges. The court deliberations and judge-

ment focussed on the allegation of premeditation on Effinger's part. Soutine wanted to marry a local Ganei Tikva girl and intended to convert to Judaism. But he intended to fly back to Holland to undergo the conversion process.

To finance his trip, Soutine, together with an accomplice, broke into the Penguin nightclub in Tel Aviv and stole electronic equipment.

Effinger shot Soutine after a quarrel broke out between the two over the sale of the stolen goods.

Canned mushrooms from Spain ruled unfit

A 23-ton shipment of canned mushrooms from Spain was recently ruled unfit for human consumption before the 6,000 cans had left the port area, the Health Ministry announced yesterday.

Laboratory tests conducted by the ministry's food services division revealed that the mushrooms produced by Unichap, had not been adequately sterilized at time of canning, the spokesman said. This, together with other tests indicating

flaws in production, led the ministry to declare the entire shipment unfit.

The ministry has recently stepped up inspection of imported foodstuffs and has taken strict measures to ensure that no shipments enter the country before thorough chemical and bacteriological tests have been conducted, he said.

Yeshiva students appeal conviction

Thirteen yeshiva students have appealed against their conviction of charges of disturbing the peace at a performance last month in Jerusalem of Handel's *Messiah* oratorio.

The students were convicted on June 16 after admitting the charges. The students' lawyer, in his appeal to the Jerusalem Magistrates Court, argued that the students confessed only to shouting, not to running towards the musicians in Binyamin Ha'uma, as asserted by the prosecution. (Itim)

Knesset prepares for quality of life prizes

Post Knesset Correspondent
A special committee on the prize for the quality of life administered by the Knesset speaker met last week to choose an emblem for fund, money for which was tributed by the Racine family.

With deepest sorrow we announce the death of our beloved

HILLEL (Herbert) SHER

in Miami, Florida, on July 12, 1983

Mrs. Ada Sher,
Miami and Netanya
Hanan and Sara Sher,
Jerusalem
Arthur and Barbara Sher,
Miami
Philip and Rita Sher,
North Palm Beach
Sharon, Galit and Dror Sher,
Jerusalem
Crista and Dustin Sher,
Miami

The coffin is scheduled to arrive at Ben-Gurion Airport on El Al flight 004 at 7 a.m. today, and the funeral service will be at Sanhedria Funeral Parlor approximately one and a half hours after arrival. The burial will take place at Har Hamenuhot cemetery.

Shiva at 1 Rehov Baruch Ram, Netanya.

In deep sorrow I announce the death of my dear husband

Dr. HEINZ ALBERT CARO

The funeral will leave at 2.30 p.m. today, Thursday, July 14, 1983 from the Municipal Funeral Parlour, 5 Rehov Dafna, Tel Aviv, for the Nahalat Yitzhak cemetery. Burial transport will be available.

Please refrain from condolence visits.

Lilli Caro

The Institutes for Applied Research,
Ben-Gurion University of the Negev,
The Directorate and Members of Staff extend their sincere condolences to the family on the death of their colleague

HAIM YOSEF COHEN

Water contamination said on rise

Post Knesset Correspondent
Bad drinking-water causes thousands of cases of dysentery each year and the problem is growing, the Knesset State Control Committee was told yesterday.

Dr. Uri Marinov, director of the environmental service at the Interior Ministry, said the facts are kept from the public because the Health Ministry stopped publishing reports on the quality of drinking water in 1980.

Prof. Baruch Modan, director-general of the Health Ministry, said the \$500 million which the government budgeted to improve the quality of the Kinneret are still being withheld by the Treasury.

Margery Greenfield adds:

More than 4 per cent of the water tested annually throughout the country reveals signs of bacterial pollution, a senior Health Ministry sanitary engineer told *The Jerusalem Post* last night.

The tests are used to determine the presence of *E. coli*, a harmless bacillus whose presence indicates pathogenic organisms may also be in the water, he said.

The major problem is not the discovery of high bacterial levels during initial tests, but the faulty treatment of the affected water that leads to recurrences of the pollution, the official said. The ministry is responsible for conducting the laboratory tests and making their

results known to the settlement and local authorities, who must then take appropriate steps.

As for the decision to stop publishing the lab reports three years ago, the official noted that the labs had been releasing raw data which did not take into account the large number of samples taken at the same locations. The labs also tested water that was not intended for drinking, without always being aware of the source of the water sample.

The reports therefore did not reflect the true quality of drinking water, and the distortions only served to create anxiety, he said. The ministry has taken no decisions to resume publishing reports on water quality.

Police looking for 'better officer material'

By ROBERT ROSENBERG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The national police has raised criteria for its officers, hoping to attract "a better class of officer material" from the army, the academic and the professional worlds.

In a Jerusalem briefing with reporters yesterday, manpower division chief Nitzav Binyamin Barlay said a new advancement order went into effect this month. This makes it impossible for anyone to become an officer without a high school diploma, and impossible to move up the ranks without further training, including a full complement of matriculation exams.

Barlay said a similar tightening of criteria will be applied soon to the lower ranks.

The biggest manpower problem is a bottleneck toward the top. Only one in four pakad-level officers can look forward to promotion, he said.

In 1982, some 20,000 people looked into working for the police. Half were immediately found unsuitable — or themselves withdrew. Only 1,700 entered the force as policemen.

According to Barlay, the police force is "as com-

petitive as it possibly can be" in the employment market, and there are jobs available with immediate officer benefits for professionals in a wide range of fields. Accountants, lawyers, computer experts, laboratory technicians and management experts are all professions that the police need, in addition to the operations departments.

Much emphasis is expected to be put on getting young officers with field experience in the army to take a year on the force as cadets.

The manpower division in the force is in regular contact with the army's manpower division, and as officers leave the army, they are sometimes approached by the police, and offered recruitment terms.

A range of courses must be passed by junior officers, lasting from six weeks for future inspectors, to nine months for future commanders of sub-districts. Any person seeking appointment as a *nkav-mishne* must take the nine-month command course.

In the past there were no set regulations for promotion, said Barlay. He said it took almost two years to work out the new promotion order.

Stolen carpet said passed through Tel Aviv

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — One of the world's most valuable carpets, which was stolen from a French castle in 1981, is believed to have been brought to Israel before being transferred to England for sale. The Tel Aviv owner of a company that imports *objets d'art* was questioned yesterday as part of the investigation by Interpol in France, England and Israel.

The carpet, woven in the 16th century and depicting mythological

figures, is estimated to be worth over \$2.5 million. It was stolen from the castle home of a French art collector outside Paris. Last February, the carpet appeared in the catalogue of Sotheby's, London, which offered it for sale at auction. But an art expert recognized the famous wall-hanging and the police confiscated it.

An international inquiry commission appointed by French police began investigating how the precious carpet reached England, and tracked it to Israel.

Two French police officers flew here and together with Tel Aviv detectives are trying to capture a ring of thieves specializing in *objets d'art* working in France and Israel.

The investigation led detectives to an antique dealer on Rehov Alenby. The merchant is suspected of having had the carpet in his shop for some time. In the shop, police seized antique silver items and trays inscribed with French words, which are suspected of being stolen. The merchant, 53, was questioned but was released later because of poor health.

Demonstration over pension erosion

Thousands of old-age pensioners and members of the secretariat of the Civil Servants Union yesterday demonstrated outside the Prime Minister's Office and the Knesset to protest against the erosion of former civil servants' pensions.

Six coalition and opposition MKs joined the demonstrators. They promised to support an amendment to the Civil Service Law (Pensions). (Itim)

Hoteliers told to cut rates 20 per cent

Israeli hoteliers have been asked by the Tourism Ministry to reduce their prices by at least 20 per cent.

Ministry Director-General Raphael Ferber yesterday said that if the hoteliers do not agree to this, the ministry will not support their demand for a minimum price for both tourists and Israelis.

The ministry in the past has supported the hoteliers' demand for a "floor" on prices, on condition that maximum prices be lowered. (Itim)

Yosef Mendelovich becomes a father

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Yosef Mendelovich, who spent nine years in Russian labour camps, became the father of a son, born to his wife Kehatya in Jerusalem last week.

The 35-year-old yeshiva student was doing army reserve duty training when the baby was born in Sha'are Zedek Hospital.

Court remands 34 suspects in ultra-Orthodox riots

Jerusalem Post Reporter
All but one of 35 zealots arrested during ultra-Orthodox demonstrations in Jerusalem's Mea She'arim earlier this week were remanded into police custody for between three and seven days yesterday.

Most of the arrested will be charged of resisting arrest. Police turbulence. Some will also face charges of resisting arrest. Police have been holding most of the arrested *haredim* in Ashdod. The others are being held in Abu Kabir, near Tel Aviv.

Police sources indicated that the decision to hold the detainees outside of Jerusalem was to mitigate the possibility of any demonstrations outside the Russian Com-

passard jail. There was still some tension yesterday in the streets of the religious neighbourhoods of northern Jerusalem, but police — while maintaining beefed up patrols in the area — said they believe "the worst is over" for now.

But there have been reports in Jerusalem that there will be an attempt on Saturday evening to march from prayers at the Western Wall to the City of David archaeological dig.

During the past week, the dig has proceeded apace with occasional visits by *haredim* to the perimeter of the archaeological site. Police have sent such visitors packing and have made no arrests.

Police arrest four in drug raid

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Four men were arrested yesterday when heroin, hashish and prodromol (a synthetic drug) were found on them during a pre-dawn police raid on a Lod apartment. Military equipment was also found in the flat.

Narcotics squad detectives of the Coastal Plain sub-district noticed suspected drug users come and go from an apartment in Lod's Ashdod quarter several weeks ago. After watching the building and following some of the suspects, police broke into the apartment.

Forty-two grams of heroin,

enough for 600 doses according to police, were found and the apartment owner and three others, were arrested.

Two of those arrested are suspected of being major drug dealers in the coastal area, which has been flooded with drugs from Lebanon and Egypt in recent months.

Police attribute the recent wave of burglaries in the sub-district to a need to obtain money to buy drugs. Some of the burglars are 15 and 16-year-olds, sent out by drug "sharks" who remain behind the scenes.

The four men will be brought before a Ramle's judge today.

Two educators named to review exams

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer yesterday appointed two educators to examine complaints about the recent matriculation exams in mathematics and literature, and to propose new questions for next year's exams.

They are Dr. Carmy Yagov, principal of Herzliya Gymnasium in Tel Aviv, who will examine the math exam, and Zvi Zameret, principal of Danziger comprehensive school in Kiryat Shmona, who will examine the literature exam.

They also will propose ways to grade this year's exams without harming pupils who may have been confused or misled by the questions.

Druckman: Change war widow pensions

Post Knesset Correspondent

MK Rabbi Haim Druckman (Metzad) yesterday wrote Defence Minister Moshe Arens and urged him to change regulations relating to pensions for IDF widows, so that widows who remarry continue to receive their pensions for a number of years.

Druckman explained that IDF widows frequently prefer not to remarry so as not to lose their pensions. Instead, they become common-law wives if they wish to create new homes, he said.

This "intolerable" state of affairs should be changed at once, Druckman wrote Arens.



Aura Herzog helps schoolchildren take part in yesterday's Kol Yisrael summer safety programme broadcast from Beit Hanassi.

Radio blitz on safety

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The dangers of sun, snakes, poisonous plants, spoiled food, swimming, cars, fire and bicycles were explained yesterday to thousands of children who listened to a radio programme broadcast live from Beit Hanassi.

The three-hour programme on Kol Yisrael's Second Programme was initiated by the wife of the president, Aura Herzog. She took part in the show with hundreds of schoolchildren. The presidential residence had been fitted with communications equipment to turn it into a radio studio.

The show featured advice from experts on safety during the summer vacation. Children were told to drink at least two litres of liquid every day and more if engaged in heavy physical activity. The importance of wearing a hat outdoors, of not eating unfamiliar greenery and of keeping food refrigerated was emphasized.

"Aharonchik," a lifeguard at Tel Aviv's Gordon beach, who has saved thousands of people from drowning in 60 years, told about keeping safe in the water.

Drunk driver barred for backing into police

Jerusalem Post Reporter

RISHON LEZION. — A drunk driver who backed his car into a police car was yesterday given a three-month suspended prison sentence, fined \$5,000 and had his driver's licence revoked for three years.

Oded Arazi, 54, Rishon Lezion, put his car in reverse last month without taking any precautionary measures and crashed into a police car. Police, suspecting he was drunk, took him for a blood test and found 225 milligrams of alcohol in his blood — more than four times the maximum permitted amount.

Kollek visits Moslems for Id al-Fitr feast

Mayor Teddy Kolek yesterday toured several of Jerusalem's Arab neighbourhoods to greet Moslem residents on Id al-Fitr. He praised the religious co-existence in the capital, which despite some problems, stands out favourably, according to Kolek, in the context of the Middle East's many religious and ethnic conflicts.

Among the leaders Kolek met were Moslem High Council chairman Sheikh Abdul-Din Alami, Jerusalem District Electric Company chairman Anwar Nuseiba, East Jerusalem Chamber of Commerce president Fayij Barakat and waf' trust director Hassan Tabib.

Police plan crackdown on video clubs

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Increasing complaints by parents that their children are spending all their time and money in video clubs have prompted police to plan a crackdown on scores of unlicensed video clubs in Rehovot, Rishon Lezion, Ramle and Lod.

The campaign, which is to start soon, will include closing unlicensed clubs in these towns, as well as licensed clubs which use poker video cassettes and sets, and bringing the club owners to court. Appliances for poker video games are illegal and will be confiscated, Coastal Plain sub-district spokesman Pakad Johnnie Tester said yesterday.

Post Knesset Correspondent

The prosecution and the police will give priority to court cases involving gambling machines. Deputy Attorney-General Yehudit Karp told the Knesset Education Committee yesterday.

Video parlours containing video-poker and other games of chance in slot machines have flourished recently in many towns. Last week police began confiscating the illegal machines and preparing files against their owners.

Karp said that even though the minors playing the machines were committing an offence, they would not be prosecuted.

Yavne Mayor Meir Shitrit (Likud) said many mayors are afraid of enforcing the law against the video parlours because of threats against them and their families. Police must crack down on the parlours and eliminate the gambling scourge, Shitrit said.

Uzan calls for agriculture debate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Social Affairs and Labour Minister Aharon Uzan has requested a comprehensive discussion in the cabinet as soon as possible on the deterioration of the country's agricultural economy.

In a letter to the cabinet secretary, Uzan wrote that more and more moshav farmers have stopped cultivating their plots entirely and have taken salaried employment.

Farms have fallen into neglect, and valuable equipment is rusting away, Uzan wrote.

Some moshav farmers have applied for welfare supplements, he wrote.

The cabinet has never debated the state of agriculture, Uzan wrote, and a debate should be scheduled.

MKs to investigate judicial appointments

Post Knesset Correspondent

The Knesset Law Committee yesterday decided to discuss allegations that a number of judges have been appointed on political grounds.

After the demand for this discussion was aired repeatedly by the Alignment opposition, coalition members on the committee agreed on condition that the probe go back to the Alignment era and not be restricted to the period since the Likud formed the government in 1977.

The Likud members of the committee, led by chairman Eli Kulak, accused the Alignment of trying to undermine the judicial system.

Deputy Minister Dov Shilansky, appearing in the committee meeting yesterday, said the Alignment sought to destroy the only remaining apolitical institution which still has public confidence.

Actually there is no need to let you know that Swissair is redecorating



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UK votes on hangman

LONDON (Reuters). — After a highly charged public debate, Britain's new and markedly more right-wing parliament was last night deciding whether to reintroduce hanging.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher will vote in favour of restoring the death penalty for murder, along with many of the new Conservative members swept into parliament by her landslide general election victory last month.

Rank-and-file policemen, prison warders, right-wing Conservatives and Protestant leaders in bitterly-divided Northern Ireland led the campaign to bring back the gallows. But some influential sections of the British establishment including many judges, top trial lawyers, prison governors, doctors and the

Anglican Church are against the death penalty.

In a series of free votes, without the normal constraints of party discipline, some of Thatcher's more moderate cabinet colleagues will also vote against the measure.

Britain abolished hanging in 1965 and regular votes over the years to bring back the rope have been defeated in parliament.

The first vote last night was on restoring the death penalty for terrorist murders.

The pro-hanging members of parliament concede that if they lose that, they are unlikely to win ensuing votes on the death penalty for killing a policeman, a prison guard, murder for profit, or killing with firearms or explosives.

One killed, 565 arrested in violent Chilean protests

SANTIAGO (AP). — Police and troops patrolled Chile's two largest cities yesterday after a teenage girl was killed and riot squads arrested 565 people in violent demonstrations against the 10-year-old military government.

President Augusto Pinochet tried to quash the third "Day of National Protest" in three months with an 8 p.m.-to-midnight curfew in Santiago and Concepcion. But his security forces failed to keep hundreds of young anti-government rioters off the streets of working class districts.

The night-time disorders capped a day of turbulent protests at four universities and two courthouses, organized by Christian Democratic, Socialist and Communist leaders protesting against high unemployment and a crackdown that has put

Pinochet's top political and labour foes in jail.

Military authorities announced the one-night curfew at midday. It was the first army attempt to suppress the two-month-old protest movement, the first sustained political challenge to Pinochet since the 67-year-old general seized power a decade ago.

However, troops sent to enforce the curfew left the burden of confrontation to police armed with automatic weapons, tear gas, clubs, protective helmets and plastic shields.

Police said Isabel Sanhueza, a 19-year-old student, was shot dead outside her home in southwest Santiago during the curfew. The death brought to six the number killed in the three nationwide one-day demonstrations so far.

British road catches fire

LONDON (Reuters). — One Tarmac road caught fire and others just started running away in Britain's worst heatwave in seven years.

Firemen in the northern town of Carlisle hosed down hospital roofs as inside temperatures neared suffocation point. Bathing on south coast beaches played nude volleyball.

In Devon, police told some scandalized passengers that girls seen riding topless on a bus were not breaking any law.

Workmen called out to a new phenomenon described as "drifting roads" relaid melting surfaces. Some local authorities banned the use of hoses as drought fears increased.

Yesterday's official hotspot was Cardiff, Wales, where temperature reached 33 degrees centigrade.

In West Germany, 10 people died in the heatwave in which temperatures rose to more than 33 degrees centigrade.

Polish Politburo approves abolition of martial law

WARSAW (AP). — The ruling Politburo has endorsed a call for lifting martial law, putting Poland one step closer to ending the 19-month military crackdown, the state-run media reported yesterday.

The reports said that the Communist Party chiefs, headed by Gen. Wojciech Jaruzelski, approved the call by the nation's Political Front, PRON, as "reflecting the intention and position of the party."

Government spokesman Jerzy Urban said Politburo approval would have to be seconded by the Military Council, which was expected to agree.

Both the Politburo and Military Council for National Redemption are headed by Jaruzelski, who formed the council of generals to run Poland when he declared martial law on December 13, 1981.

Following approval from the Military Council, Parliament would be asked to formally approve measures lifting martial law — the last step in ending the crackdown in time for Poland's national holiday on July 22.

In the Vatican City, Pope John Paul II yesterday dropped his weekly prayer for peace, harmony and liberty in his troubled homeland.

He had offered the short prayer in Polish at his weekly Wednesday general audience since January 13, 1982, one month after the imposition of martial law in Poland.

Former Communist leader exonerated

WARSAW (AP). — Edward Giersek, Poland's former Communist Party chief ousted in the wave of strikes in September 1980, has been absolved of responsibility for the country's economic woes, Polish television reported on Tuesday.

Giersek and other officials were held responsible for bringing on economic troubles and strikes that launched the independent union Solidarity in 1980, but few high-ranking officials have been brought to trial.

Chad army retakes Abeche

N'DJAMENA (Reuters). — The Chad government has announced that its troops have recaptured a key eastern city in what it called a decisive turning point in a war against Libyan-backed rebels.

A military communique read on state radio late Tuesday night said Abeche, which fell to former president Goukouni Oueddei's rebel forces at the weekend, was captured by troops loyal to pro-Western President Hissene Habre.

But in Paris on Sunday Chad Foreign Minister Idriss Misikine renewed a plea for French military intervention and called the current three-week-old upsurge of fighting "a situation of unprecedented gravity."

Misikine, on a brief stopover on his way to China, told reporters: "We also need advisers, aviation and heavy artillery support." He said French shipments of military aid to Chad had been insufficient to end the rebel offensive.

Meanwhile, 450 Zairean troops arrived in N'djamena yesterday, the second contingent of a force that eventually will number 2,000 men. Further reinforcements were expected later in the day along with three Mirage fighter-bombers.

The first contingent, made up of 250 paratroopers, arrived from Zaire on July 3 accompanied by three Italian-built Macchi fighter-bombers.

Col. Lengha Lengha, Zaire's Ambassador to Chad, told reporters that the troops from his country would be "put at the disposition of the Chadian high command, which can use them at any time and where it wants."

For the time being, the paratroopers are in N'djamena where "they are training daily," Lengha said. The Macchi aircraft, he added, so far have been used only for "reconnaissance missions."

The French-built Mirages have a much longer combat range.

Salvador rebels kill four soldiers

SAN SALVADOR (AP). — Leftist guerrillas ambushed an army patrol killing four government soldiers and wounding five others in San Vicente province, a military spokesman said on Tuesday.

The attack came in a province where the military is promoting a U.S.-supported reconstruction programme, after claiming to have swept the area clean of rebels.

The spokesman, who asked not to be identified for security reasons, said the rebels set up the ambush on Monday night near Apastoeque, 60 kilometres east of San Salvador, and killed a lieutenant and three soldiers.

The U.S. Embassy here ordered new security precautions for American diplomats yesterday, say-

ing it had received death threats against military and other personnel.

An embassy spokesman said personnel have been ordered not to jog or remain on the street for more than 90 minutes at a time.

"We have received information of a direct, specific threat, an attempt to kill along the lines of AJ's murder," the spokesman said, referring to the May 15 assassination by leftist rebels of Navy Lt. Commander Albert Schaufelberger, deputy chief of military advisers here.

4 soldiers killed in N. Ireland blast

BELFAST (AP). — Four militia soldiers were killed and one wounded yesterday when guerrillas detonated a huge landmine under a patrol vehicle on a remote country road in Northern Ireland, police reported.

The explosion hurled the vehicle into the air and gouged a big hole in the main road from Belfast to Omagh near the village of Ballygawley.

There was no immediate claim of responsibility from any of Northern Ireland's guerrilla groups. But police sources blamed the outlawed Irish Republican Army or its Marxist offshoot, the Irish National Liberation Army.

Baby elephant 'says' he is a fine fellow

MOSCOW (Reuters). — A local radio station has broadcast an "interview" with a baby elephant at a zoo in the Soviet Central Asian Republic of Kazakhstan, the official Soviet news agency Tass reported yesterday.

Tass said the elephant, named Batir, spoke nearly 20 phrases into tape recorders for zoologists.

It added that the zoologists were checking a report by the watchman at the zoo that Batir talked during the night.

The agency quoted the elephant as saying: "Batir is good. Batir is a fine fellow."

Elephants are not on the list of animals capable of imitating human speech. But Batir is said to have been raised by humans from a very early age and is said to have exceptional hearing.

Hongkong bilateral talks will resume on July 25

PEKING (Reuters). — Sino-British talks on the future of Hongkong will resume in Peking on July 25; Chinese and British officials said yesterday at the end of a preliminary round of detailed negotiations.

A joint statement said, "The two sides have had useful and constructive talks," but gave no details.

Sources in Hongkong close to the talks said they had covered "technical issues," and avoided the sensitive problem of sovereignty.

Lawyer says orgy tapes were stolen by newsmen

BEVERLY HILLS, California (AP). — An attorney who said he had "embarrassing" videotapes of slain model Vicki Morgan in sex scenes with U.S. government officials reported the tapes were stolen from his law office on Tuesday, and he blamed "a member of the press corps."

The lawyer, Robert Steinberg, had said the tapes showed two high-level "appointed officials" and a U.S. congressman.

After refusing to confirm the theft for most of the day, Steinberg told a mob of reporters as he left his office that someone from the media was responsible for the disappearance of the tapes.

"Someone from the press corps went into my library this morning and took those tapes," he said. "We know which one it was, and it's under investigation."

Earlier in the day, Los Angeles police had served Steinberg with a subpoena directing him to produce the tapes in Van Nuys Municipal Court on July 25, the same day on which Marvin Fancost, 33, is to be arraigned on charges of beating Morgan to death last week with a baseball bat. Morgan was the mistress of the late department store

Sports

Netanya crash in Paris

By JACK LEON
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Following their four-match winning streak here in the European Intertoto competition, Israeli National Football league champions Maccabi Netanya came down to earth with a bang this week in the Tournament of Paris soccer competition in Paris.

The Sharon club, on Tuesday night crashed 4-1 to Batafogo F.R. of Brazil, having been defeated by the same margin 24 hours earlier by hosts Paris-St. Germain in the opening game of the four-team tournament. The defeat left the Israelis at the bottom in the final table.

Tuesday's match followed exactly the same pattern as the earlier contest, with Netanya's David Lavie opening the scoring and his side then conceding four goals.

In the night's other contest, Rumania's national XI edged St. Germain 1-0, to win the prestigious annual event and leave the French side as runners-up ahead of Batafogo.

Netanya coach Mordechai Spiegler is hoping that his team will return to their winning ways on Saturday, when they face Aarhus of Copenhagen in Denmark in their penultimate game of the intertoto event. The Israeli club is already well on the way to winning its intertoto group competition, for the third time. In the weekend's other intertoto encounter, Shimshon Tel Aviv — with only one point to date from their four outings — are away to Switzerland's F.C. Lucerne.

Kiwis look to Hadlee

LONDON (AP). — The New Zealand cricketers will be looking to break their duck in their opening Test match against England which starts tomorrow at the Oval — the Kiwis have never won a Test on English soil.

Much will depend on the performance of all-rounder and opening pace bowler Richard Hadlee, a truly world class bowler, who if ably supported could swing the match New Zealand's way.

Hadlee's fellow paceman Martin Sneddon was yesterday struggling to prove his fitness, as was England quickie Graham Dilley.

Dilley has a sore shin, while Sneddon's calf muscle injury restricted him to just seven overs in the tourists drawn match against Middlesex earlier this week.

England will be hoping all-rounder Ian Botham can retain his recently found form — he smashed 152 for Somerset on Monday to follow his five wicket haul two days earlier.

Sure to return to the England side is Middlesex's left-arm spinner Phil Edmonds, controversially left out of the touring side to Australia last winter.

Handelman gets a bye

Post Sports Reporter

The Israel Amateur Athletic Association yesterday exempted 22-year-old runner Mark Handelman from the qualifying heats of the 800 metres at the annual IAAA championships, being held at Hadar Yosef stadium, Tel Aviv.

Handelman's plane home from Canada, where he finished fifth in the 800m, was delayed — making it impossible for him to get to Hadar Yosef in time for his heat. The IAAA were not prepared to reschedule the heats, and instead gave Handelman a bye directly into Saturday's final.

Tuesday's baseball

American League

Seattle 3, Boston 2; Baltimore 3, Oakland 1; Detroit 5, California 4; Chicago 5, Cleveland 0; New York 4, Minnesota 3; Toronto 9, Kansas City 6; Milwaukee 9, Texas 2.

National League

Philadelphia 4-7, Atlanta 1-0; Cleveland 6, New York 2; Houston 7, Montreal 5; San Diego 5, Chicago 3; Los Angeles 3, St. Louis 1; Pittsburgh 6, San Francisco 2.

Let's make this a safe summer

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Nationwide Summer Campaign — National Safety Administration Day, with the participation of more than 20 governmental bodies, and with the intention of curbing road accidents.

Emphasis is placed on the safety of children and pedestrians in the city, as well as careful highway motoring.

Drivers and pedestrians — help us make this a safe summer! List of participants and activities in the "Let's Make This a Safe Summer" campaign:

ROAD SAFETY ADMINISTRATION
Coordination of activities of the various bodies; education campaign through the media; mobile vehicle-inspection units; highway safety contests.

MINISTRY OF TRANSPORT
The Vehicles Division will conduct intensive garage checks; the Licensing Division will conduct inspections of licensing institutes; and the Controller's Divisions of various townships will complete road painting and the installation of traffic signs.

POLICE
Doubling town traffic law-enforcement units; stationing unmarked police cars on highways; helicopter supervision; training pupils' traffic units.

CIVIL GUARD
Activating some 1000 volunteers in the new "Police and Traffic" supervision units.

I.D.F.
Enlarging of highway law enforcement system by means of speed traps, with the aid of helicopters and speedy trials; relaxation stations for soldiers en route; information and guidance campaign in army units.

MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE
Arranging hundreds of special refresher courses for teachers on the theme of road safety.

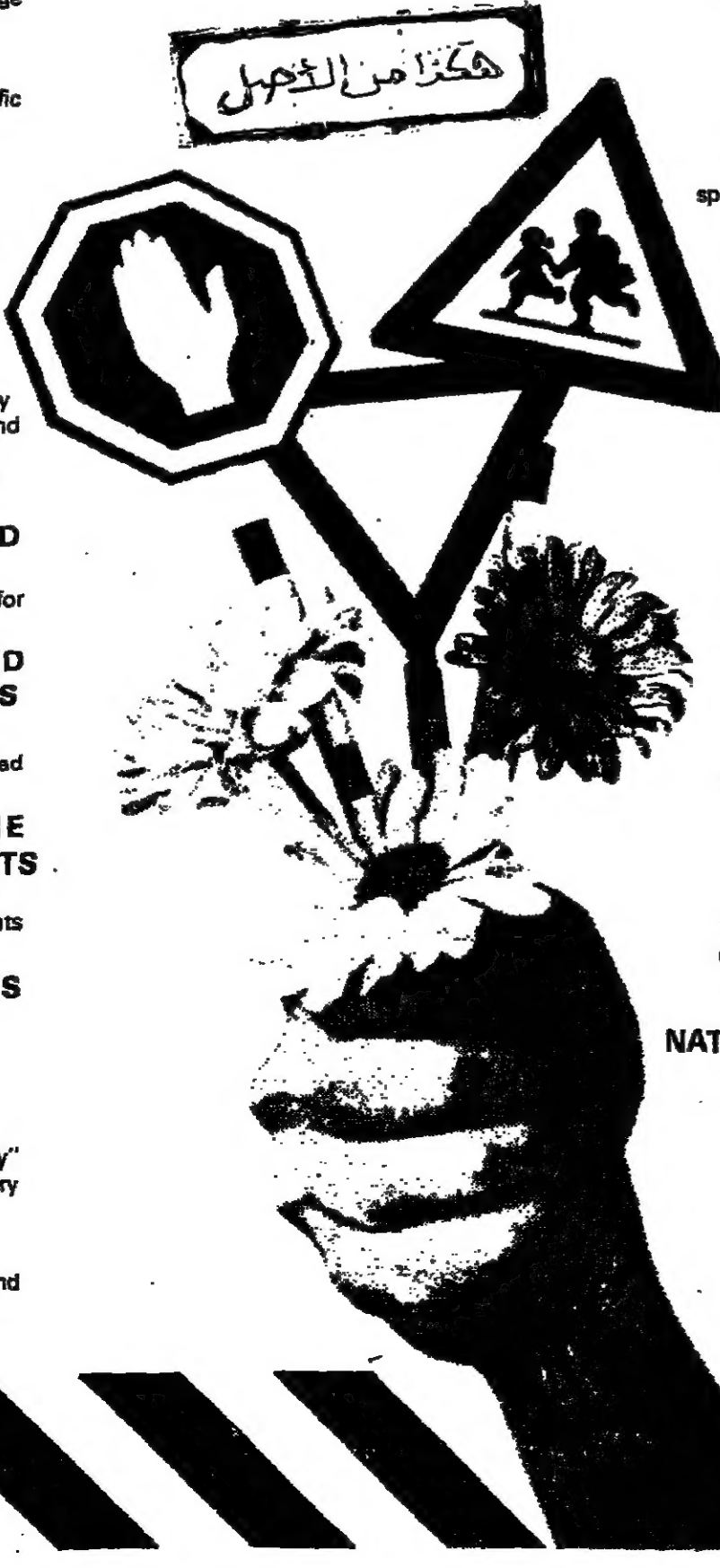
MINISTRY OF CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING — PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
Marking interurban highways; care and repair of road shoulders.

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE PREVENTION OF ROAD ACCIDENTS
Learning activities amongst campers; pedestrian information campaign; "Safety Days" in settlements and towns.

SPORTS AND CULTURE CENTRES ("MATNASIM")
Arranging "Safety Days" and distribution of educational material.

CENTRAL PARENTS COMMITTEE
The "Two Telephone Calls for Our Children's Safety" campaign, to be conducted throughout the country on July 14.

LOCAL AUTHORITIES CENTRE
Requesting all local authorities to complete road and pedestrian-crossing markings; intercity safety contests and other municipal activities.



TRAFFIC SAFETY OFFICERS UNION
Intensification of the activities of the 700 safety officers for plants with vehicular fleets; free nationwide vehicle checks; assisting police and the National Council with children's traffic safety training.

JERUSALEM MUNICIPALITY
Bicycle safety and inspection campaign; informational activities among the city's Egged drivers; mayor's personal letter to children on vacation; guidance to campers in municipal camps; placement of 10 large markers in known danger spots; improvement of infrastructure and road markings.

TEL AVIV MUNICIPALITY
Orientation activities among visitors to Tel Aviv's Youth City; setting up of safety and traffic training areas; educational activities among campers; local newspaper advertisements; improvement of infrastructure and road markings.

HAIFA MUNICIPALITY
Informational activities among campers; relaxation spots in gas stations for drivers en route; informational activities for cyclists; guidance for the elderly; mayor's special letter to city residents; infrastructure improvement.

EGGED COOPERATIVE
Educational activities for the cooperative's drivers; guidance at Egged summer camps and among mothers of large families; among WIZO members; intensification of annual "Be Smart — Drive Wisely" campaign.

DAN COOPERATIVE
Safety campaign for Dan drivers; concealed spot-check units to observe driving ability and grading of careful drivers; internal informational campaign; internal bus signs.

TRUCK FORWARDERS COUNCIL
Back markings on 1500 of the organization's vehicles; information sheet to 6000 driver members; establishment of safety committee and preparation for awarding of professional driver certificates to special course participants; road safety study day.

NATIONAL TAXI DRIVERS ORGANIZATION
Special letter to taxi drivers; opening of an annual contest; 7000 taxi stickers with the slogan "Let's make this a safe summer."

MAGEN DAVID ADOM
Campaign on treatment of traffic casualties; city mobile blood donor units; intensified campaign to sell first-aid kits to drivers.

MAGOR CAR TOWING COMPANY
Campaign for the towing away of traffic accident wrecks in the four main cities; erection of wrecked-car memorials in various locations.

Lancia launches its Prisma family car

By N. DAVID GROSS

LANCIA, the aristocrat of the Fiat motor car empire, has gone into the family car line while still retaining its swankiness. The Lancia Prisma is on sale in Israel this summer and hopes to make inroads among the newly rich in this country.

In contrast to its veteran Delta model, which Lancia pushes for its younger drivers and for women, and the Trevi, for the wealthier, experienced businessman, the Prisma is aimed at the new elite of independent self-employed, whose incomes tend to soar above inflation.

The Prisma will be Lancia's main line, coming out of its massive works at Chivasso near Turin. The use of robots is being slowly introduced at the plant, struggling to overcome union resistance. We watched a steel press at the plant, where a robot untrillingly, unerringly fed flat metal sheets into an automatic press. But, as the sheets emerged, shaped into part of the Prisma, two North Italian workers lifted them out by hand and

transferred them to the next part of the assembly line. The robot could have done this work for the men, but it could not feed their families. But the workers welcome the advent of robots for particularly unpleasant tasks, such as spraying the underside of the car.

The Lancia factory also boasts an ultra-modern quality control department, where a "Phoenix" robot checks the body shell geometry. The "Phoenix" is an all-seeing, all-feeling measurement system, run by an electronic processor, which can spot minuscule deviations from the master design in the two side body panels, front frame, and centre and rear floor pan.

WE TOURED the factory the day after test driving the new Prisma from Rome for 280 kilometres through Tuscany and back. We had the 1,500 cc model (the Prisma also comes in 1,300 cc and 1,600 cc models). The front-wheel drive car drove effortlessly, smoothly over city, autostrada and country side roads, through sun and rain. The speedometer showed 160 kph for some stretches without any indication of a strain on the part of car or driver. The manual gear-change is effortless through all five forward gears.

The seats are easily adjustable into many positions, the steering wheel has two positions and ventilation and heating comes at you if you wish from many angles. The gadgetry and the dashboard with its multitude of dials and indicators are easy to get used to. One can see at half a glance whether one is driving in the most economical way going uphill or on a curving section of the road. Warning lamps on a schematic screen indicated the source of any malfunctioning in any part of the car, such as parking lights, directional indicators, engine oil pressure or pressure in the brake lines.

This driver's 1.89 metre bony frame fitted comfortably into the driver's seat and felt no awkwardness throughout the long drive.

The test route for the invited motoring journalists from Ireland, Cyprus, Israel and Britain was well marked. We started out in a convoy of about 30 Prismas of 13 different colours: ours was pale blue. We had been given clearly marked maps, but getting out of Rome was a little bewildering. The initial convoy soon broke up, each driver going at his own speed and using his own personal methods of coping with Rome's traffic problems.



The swanky Prisma four-door sedan by Lancia.

Fearing that I had missed the turn-off onto the autostrada, I stopped to ask for directions several times from non-Hebrew and non-English speaking Italians. The people invariably were polite and helpful, studying our map and admiring the first Prismas out of the factory.

THE CARS had been brought from Turin to Rome especially for the test ride, and were shipped back to Turin on its completion. The Lancia people thoughtfully supplied us with paid tickets for the toll-road. About half the route was along the rather boring *grande raccordo anulare* autostrada, where there is no speed limit. The tedium of autostrada driving was amply compensated for

by the half of the route through rural Tuscany.

There was a break for drinks on route, offered by Lancia at the half-way point in Tuscany, which was a major sculpture centre 24 centuries ago, and which still has beautiful things to show. A luxury converted bus was turned into a bar where we pulled up to be regaled with sandwiches and drinks. We also had a chance to view a nearby medieval church, one of the many such showpieces of that part of Italy.

Following this four-hour get-acquainted drive I felt that I indeed had come to know and like the Prisma. My companion spent part of the drive in the back seat,

reporting that it was just as comfortable as the front. The backrest folds down to enlarge the already commodious baggage area. A novel feature is that the back rest is split in half. Thus one passenger can sit in comfort, while the space beside him is joined to the back boot and makes room for additional luggage.

The price of the 1300 cc model, which is available for immediate delivery, is IS631,731, plus IS75,593 in the new import deposit. For immigrants the price is IS390,150, and there is no import deposit. The 1500 cc model will be available in the autumn in the 1984 model year. The current list price is IS785,000, plus IS94,000 deposit. For immigrants it is IS399,000.

Leyland's talking car—the Maestro

By ABRAHAM RABINOVICH

IT SHOULD elicit at least a raised eyebrow to note that 1984 is the year that automobiles in this country will begin talking back to drivers — informing them, in firm feminine tones, that they have been watched and found wanting.

This seemingly Orwellian vision-come-true is actually a benign frill designed to help British Leyland reclaim its place in the world's car markets with its new Maestro. The 1984 model will begin to be marketed in Israel this August.

The "voice synthesis system," as it is called, tells the absent-minded driver some 15 seconds after he has switched on the ignition "please fasten your safety belt." Other messages concern low fuel, handbrakes and lights left on, and similar problems. The Israeli agent, Eastern Automobile Co., is planning a Hebrew-language version.

However, what British Leyland is resting its hopes for the Maestro on are other voices — the public's

attesting to its comeback in the auto field after a dizzying spin in reputation and profits.

"When I used to travel on a plane, I dreaded being asked by the fellow sitting next to me who I worked for," acknowledges A.E. Lawrence, director of international operations for BL's Austin Rover Group, which produces the Maestro. Speaking to a group of visiting Israeli journalists recently, Lawrence said that even the company's famed Jaguar had been living on its reputation, rather than its intrinsic quality. Labour troubles and demoralization gripped the giant firm which was skidding towards bankruptcy.

NEW MANAGEMENT and large government loans have begun to turn the company around. England's massive unemployment and the threat of the company's total collapse helped persuade the workers to accept large outbacks in the workforce and a new job discipline that has made it one of the most efficient in Europe.

The Austin Metro, launched in 1980, heralded the company's new direction. It has already become England's best-selling small car and had begun to carve out an export market.

Austin hopes it will similarly capture the medium-sized car market with the Maestro, a five-door hatchback which employs advanced technology to achieve exceptional fuel economy. The most efficient of the seven Maestro models, the 1.3 HLE, has been credited in British government tests with 60.5 miles (96 km.) per gallon at a test speed of 56 miles (89 km.) per hour. In addition, low servicing costs add to the car's pocketbook appeal. Service intervals are only 12,000 miles (19,000 km.) and brake linings, for instance, can be examined without removing wheels.

Two of the models, the 1.3 and 1.6 are to be marketed in Israel at prices upwards of IS500,000.

"Electronic engine management" provides computer efficiency with an on-board microprocessor. This



The Maestro made by BL's Austin Rover Group counts the "voice synthesis system" among its innovations.

controls a choke which cuts off as much as 50 per cent of the fuel used, normally during deceleration and reduces engine idling speed. Fuel saving by this system is estimated at more than 10 per cent.

HIGH-TECHNOLOGY is also built into the instrument panel. The speedometer telling you how many miles you are travelling an hour will inform you, at the push of a button, how much that is in kilometres per

hour. As the fuel level drops, eight tiny green lights successively extinguish until only two red lights remain. When only one red light remains, the voice synthesis unit will say "low fuel."

The braking system is continuously monitored, sensors in the front brake pads activating a warning light.

The technology built into the Maestro is ahead of the norm for

European cars, according to independent observers. Although Japanese firms to produce solid-state electronic dashboards and voice synthesis systems like the Maestro's, they are restricted to expensive models.

Development work on the Maestro started in 1977; the aim being to create a car that could compete with the Ford Escort and Volkswagen Golf. The development was moved back into low gear while the company concentrated on producing the Metro. When attention was again focused on the Maestro the original concept was upgraded into the high-technology product that has emerged. The company decided to purchase VW's reliable gearbox for use in the Maestro, rather than risk an untested design of its own.

Austin Rover's extensive development and testing facilities reflect the industry's perpetual search for a better buggy. "There's no such thing as built-in obsolescence," says a top company engineer. "Technological improvements keep occurring so fast that you have to make changes. But overall, you're getting a lot more

value for your money in a new car than you were even a few years ago."

THE BUSINESS is competitive enough to warrant security precautions at testing facilities that resemble those at top military security establishments. Elaborate steps are taken to prevent experimental models being photographed either by infiltrators or from afar by industrial spies or journalists with telescopic lenses. One experimental vehicle British Leyland has unveiled is its ECX 3, a high-performance economy car which has already achieved a fuel consumption of 100 mpg at 30 mph and is still being improved upon. The vehicle is not a production prototype but some of its components and processes may "be worked into production cars."

The government money the company has been receiving runs out at the end of this year. With Austin Rover still swimming in red ink, it has, however, been swimming steadily upwards during the past five years and has reason to believe that Maestro, the talking car, will "tow" it back up into the heady atmosphere of profits.



An experimental road marking system using upright, flexible "cat's eyes" on narrow central dividing strips is being tried out in Haifa. The aim is to prevent drivers straying into the opposite lane — particularly at night when the white line markings are sometimes difficult to see.

(Israel Sun)

Stolen cars, suspects held in Gaza roundup

GAZA (Itim). — The special police unit set up about a month ago to track down stolen vehicles on their way to Egypt this week found four cars and arrested three more suspects. The unit has so far recovered more than 60 vehicles worth about IS30 million and arrested some 25 suspects.

A spokesman for the Gaza district police said that the police arrested three car-smuggling rings, which had worked separately. These rings cooperated with thieves in Israel who brought cars to Gaza, where the identifying marks of the vehicles were altered.

He added that on many occasions cars were stolen according to specific order: make, model, and colour.

SOBER IN PRISON — The Japanese have managed to handle the drunk driving problem better than the West. Offenders who cause serious accidents usually end up in one of eight "traffic prisons" for up to 15 months. That tough approach might well be considered by other governments.

Saga of the stateless car

By ERNIE MEYER

The following sad story came to light some time ago. It deals with a Canadian lawyer who felt that sabbatical here was in part spoiled by the trouble he had disposing of his imported new car.

Phil Schwartz, a member of a well-known Toronto law firm, had been granted the six-month sabbatical period by his partners (an example well worth emulation) to tour the country and to pursue Jewish and other studies. As befitted a lawyer, he made meticulous preparations.

These included enquiries many months before the trip about the import of a car into Israel and its subsequent disposal. "I checked with the Israeli economic mission in Toronto and was told that the import of a new car and its sale in Israel after paying taxes was feasible," he told The Post.

Schwartz ordered a white Peugeot 504 station-wagon with stick gearshift from Peugeot International in France. The car, which cost about \$8,000, was equipped to conform to Israeli specifications. Schwartz picked it up in Haifa and subsequently had entirely satisfactory service from it. But the moment he entered the port customs shed, his troubles started.

The officials told him that there were some new regulations. "From that point on the car was a source of aggravation," he said.

After settling his family in a rented flat in Jerusalem, Schwartz found that his mind was not at rest until he checked into the new regulations. He had originally counted on recouping about \$5,000, after selling his car and paying the taxes on it. But after checking with customs he found out that he could not sell his car here at all and had to re-export it. He could not take it with him to Canada or sell it back to the Peugeot people in France because of the different technical specifications, he found.

"Here I was in possession of a stateless car. The situation was so bad, it kept me up at night. What was I supposed to do — put a bomb under it?" he said.

Schwartz was beginning to feel that he was going to be the victim of a form of legal confiscation, or "licensed theft," as he called it in a more desperate mood.

At one of his many attendances at the customs office one official told him: "Why are you getting so aggravated? Why don't you simply sign the car over to us, as many other people have done?"

With the assistance of friends in the automobile business Schwartz was finally — three days before his departure from the country — given permission to sell his car. This permission was granted as the result of a special one-time decision of the customs authorities.

Luckily he was able to find a buyer willing to pay \$6,500 plus

taxes for the car. "When the deal was closed I was so happy that I told my dealer friend, who had arranged it, to take \$500 and pass it on to a disabled soldier for the upkeep of his car. This was done," Schwartz recalled.

But he had not finished with the customs people yet. They did not honour the original estimate of duty due to them, he said, and upped the amount. Schwartz feels that he was subjected to a "punitive" rate because of the "favourable" treatment he had received with the special order that made the sale possible in the first place.

After all was said and done, he ended up with about \$3,000. "The reason I'm complaining is not because of the money, I can take that off my annual United Jewish Appeal contribution. I cannot believe that legislation passed after I acted in good faith on earlier information would be applied so as to render my car practically valueless," he said.

Schwartz feels that the only purpose of the changed regulations was to benefit car importers, who did not like the "competition" of tourists selling their cars tax-exempt under the passport-to-passport system. He understands, of course, that regulations can be changed, but he feels that under the circumstances he was victimized by an "overbearing and insensitive bureaucracy."

Road-safety funds stuck at the Treasury

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Only half of the sum collected by the Finance Ministry to finance road-safety projects has reached the local authorities. Transport Ministry officials this week told the Knesset State Control Committee.

The money, collected through the various fees paid by car owners, is supposed to be transferred to the local authorities. But of the IS400

million collected, only IS200m. have been transferred.

Committee chairman Avraham Katz-Oz said he will demand that the Knesset not approve any car-fee increases until it is sure that the money reaches its destination.

Transport ministry officials told the committee that some road-safety projects are not undertaken because local authorities do not pay their share of the financing.

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An economy out of control

THERE ARE generally two opinions on the merits of the government's political policy: some take a favourable, some an unfavourable view. On the present government's economic policy there cannot be two opinions. It is bad, and this time dangerously so — to the point of raising questions in the outside world about Israel's future viability.

The country has suffered ups and downs in the past, but there has always been a forward movement. Published statistics dating back to 1955 reveal that except for one year (following on the Sinai campaign), exports have continuously risen.

They rose during the depression year 1966 and the war year 1967. They rose during and after the Yom Kippur conflict. The debate was always whether the increase had been sufficient, whether the 15 per cent target (later reduced to 10 per cent) had been hit or missed.

Today there is no increase at all; on the contrary, since 1980 exports have dropped.

The government offers two excuses for this depressing performance: that the world is in recession, and that inflation must be stopped even at the cost of widening the trade deficit.

Both arguments are lame. The recession is not a slump. The volume of world trade has neither expanded nor contracted. Israel's industrialists don't complain that they lack markets, what they lack is a fair exchange-rate.

Moreover the deterioration in the balance of payments has done nothing to reduce inflation, which is running at a higher rate this year than last.

The only thing that has improved is living standards. They were allowed to go up while production stays put. As the former governor of the central bank Moshe Sanbar reminded TV viewers on Tuesday evening, "Loans are normally taken to finance output, we are taking loans to finance consumption."

The situation is in fact out of control. Mr. Begin is no economist. Nor was Israel's first Prime Minister, Ben-Gurion; but he could safely leave financial policy to Eshkol and Sapir, under whose guidance the economy advanced with giant strides.

Today the economy is in difficulties, and the reason is not lack of resources, lack of skills or lack of finance. It is lack of an appropriate policy.

Mr. Begin had better wake up to the new dangers facing his administration. The big threat to Israel no longer comes only from outside Israel's borders. Its source is inside his own cabinet-room.

The head of the Likud faction in the Knesset Finance Committee, Yigal Cohen-Orad, has tried to make this warning heard. He was shouted down by the party faithful. Mr. Begin should listen to what he has to say — and take action. This is a responsibility he cannot shirk.

MYOPIC VISION

By HASKEL LOOKSTEIN

LEON HADAR's article "A Divided Vision" (*The Jerusalem Post*, July 4), presents two rabbinic views on American Jewry's relationship with Israel that are as myopic as they are divided. Rabbi Balfour Brickner and Shlomo Riskin, both colleagues and friends of mine, present two extreme positions on the American Diaspora that are inaccurate in their assessments of reality, impractical as bases for social policy and of questionable morality in their judgments about fellow Jews.

Rabbi Brickner's view is the easier to deal with. He represents a relatively small (gratefully) group of denigrators of Israel who oppose the views of both major political parties, who deprecate freely the quality of Israeli life (e.g. "There is more Jewish life in the West Side of New York than there is in Dizengoff Street") and who believe that a new "Babylon" is emerging in America which can stand apart from Israel and which can even survive the disappearance of Israel.

The short-sightedness of this view is exceeded only by its arrogance. It is nothing less than a resurrection of the platform of the American Council for Judaism which bitterly opposed all Zionist activity in America, starting in 1941-42, until it lost adherents, steam and relevance in the wake of the Six Day War.

The disappearance of the council and the rejection of its anti-Zionist attitudes were the result of a clearer perception of reality on the part of Reform Jews in the United States. America, they realized, could not be our Palestine any more than Germany could. New York could not be our Jerusalem any more than could Berlin. The myopia of German Jews ended in sealed borders and ultimate extermination. It took American Jews about 20 years longer to correct their political lenses, but correct them they did.

TODAY, Rabbi Brickner proclaims a new "Babylon" in America. He may have in mind the prophetic punishment — not promise — that "they shall come to Babylon and remain there."

He may envision a new, thriving cultural centre in America comparable to the talmudic golden age in ancient Babylonia. But his vision is clouded by a failure to note a critical historical difference. Jewish

Babylon rose on the ashes of a destroyed and debilitated Jewish life in ancient Palestine. The growth and enhancement of Jewish life in America today, however, runs parallel to the renaissance of Jewish national life and spiritual renewal in Israel.

Indeed, American Jews are sustained and nourished by the Torah of Israel, their pride in Israel, the beauty of the land, the need to support the Jewish state and the faith in God that has been stimulated by Israel's rebirth following the Holocaust.

To say that "all this talk about *aliya* to Israel is nonsense" and that the subject "should be dropped entirely from the agenda of the American Jewish community," does in fact sound like the "babbling" of Babylon. But it is not the talmudic Babylon; it is rather more like the confused rhetoric of the generation of the Tower of Babel.

That generation, too, thought it had reached heavenly heights of power, growth and judgment. Its builders, however, ended up throwing stones at each other.

One wonders whether the Brickner style of free criticism of Israel by American Jews is nothing more than a replica of this confusion and stone-throwing of Babel, an action that led to dispersion and weakness rather than unity and strength.

FINALLY, there is an element of hubris — or moral obscenity — in the confident assumption that "if Israel will not exist, we American Jews could (still) survive and flourish." Thank God very few American Jews — Reform, Conservative, Orthodox or none of the above — would be able to let such a statement come from their lips.

Firstly, the hypothesis itself presupposes a calamity of such proportions that no one ought to be able to bear the thought, let alone express it. To borrow one of Rabbi Brickner's favourite themes, it is like planning for survival after all-out nuclear war.

Our task is to be committed totally to the survival of Israel and its three-and-a-half million Jews — may they increase. American Jewish life — or any Jewish life for that matter — is unthinkable without Israel and its Jews; for their sake, for our sake, and, yes, for God's sake, too.

AT THE OTHER extreme stands Rabbi Riskin, who, proud to report, has just made *aliya*, moving from his community of Lincoln Square to the nascent town of Efrat. But why did Rabbi Riskin have to bury all of us who are left behind? "We are witnessing today," the article says in his name, "the funeral of American Jewry; a funeral coupled with festivals and roast beef dinners."

While one can understand that a new immigrant must deny the Diaspora to some extent as a means of additional fuel to sustain his *aliya*, the burial of American Jewry is unfair and, at the very least, premature.

It is unfair because many of the festivals and roast beef dinners are sustaining the institutions in America and in Israel which make *aliya* possible. One ought not cancel those dinners too readily. A lot more roast beef still needs to be eaten in America in order to sustain Jewish life there and in Israel.

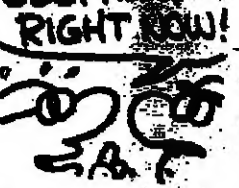
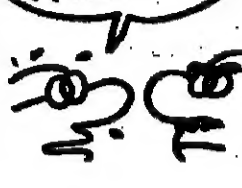
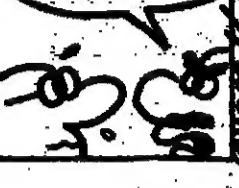
BUT BEYOND the culinary, there are important values in Jewish America. One need not worship the Diaspora in order to appreciate it. One need not reject Israel in order to understand that a thriving American Jewish community is both a reality and a desideratum.

The reality can be seen in the spectacular growth in yeshiva-day school education, synagogue affiliation, Jewish philanthropy — both local and for Israel — commitment to Soviet Jewry, and a clearly rising trend towards greater Jewish consciousness and identity.

That all of this is balanced by increasing assimilation and intermarriage is sadly true, but this has always been a *sine qua non* of the Diaspora. Indeed, the price of Diaspora life has historically been assimilation, unless it was thwarted by virulent anti-Semitism. Without assimilation and programs through the last 2,000 years, the Jewish population in the world would probably number more than one hundred million.

This is not to say that American Jews should be complacent about the frightening rate of loss. But neither should they prepare for collective burial, or for Rabbi Riskin's consigning of us to nothing but "a footnote in Jewish history." There is

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something unfair, unkind, and surely premature in that description.

BUT ASIDE from the inaccurate portrayal of the reality in Jewish America, what is overlooked is the desirability of a strong American Jewry. Most Israelis understand this, despite their longing for what we hope will become an increasingly strong flow of new immigrants from the U.S. American Jews must be built, not buried. Their Jewish institutions must be strengthened, not disparaged as "built upon sand." Jewish religious, cultural, social and philanthropic life in America must be enhanced in order to maintain another strong centre of Judaism in the world for five-and-a-half-million Jews.

There is no single solution to the Jewish problem today. Perhaps there never was. Israel is surely the centre of the Jewish world for most of us; but the rest of the Jewish world needs fortifying, not funeralizing.

Finally, a strong American Jewry, supported from within and encouraged from without by Israel, will be a great source of strength for Israel itself — politically, militarily, spiritually and, perhaps most importantly, through *aliya*.

Aliya from American Jewry should not come out of fear, despair or depression. Rather, it should come out of love of Zion, the kind of love that is nourished in the synagogues, the schools, the youth groups, the community action organizations, the philanthropic community and the entire fabric of a vibrant and vital American Jewry. That kind of *aliya* will bring qualities that will at least partially redeem the debt which American Jews will owe Israel for its support.

We American Jews will not reject Israel nor will we worship the American Diaspora. We will not bury American Jewry nor will we worship Israel.

Rather, we will build on the traditional principle of *achdut* — mutual responsibility. We will serve the Jewish people in Israel and in America. We will support a stronger and more secure Israel — building and enhancing American Jewish life. We will look to Israel as the centre of our being, but we will make sure that there are millions of proud and practising American Jews who are doing the looking.

The writer is rabbi of Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun and principal of Yeshivat Ramat in New York.

Stopping the slaughter

By ERIC GUTWILLIG

"I KILLED, 38 Hurt on Roads," reads a headline in *The Jerusalem Post* of July 3. The weary tale goes on. With clockwork regularity the weekend papers recount the week's toll as though they were a production report, and it becomes painfully obvious that old methods for attempting to stop the slaughter on the roads have failed.

At best the plague brings heavy material losses, nerve-racking arguments, accusations and counter-accusations and long waiting for settlements. At worst, it brings injuries and maiming for life, if not the loss of life altogether. Government after government has tried one palliative after another, but the results speak for themselves. No one can claim that the measures have been successful, for the slaughter goes on.

The Lebanon war was justified on the grounds that no government

could allow its citizens to be killed with impunity — and the campaign cost 500 lives. But on the roads people can be killed week after week without effective counter measures being taken.

The trouble lies in the fact that the private motor car has come to be accepted as a sort of sacred cow. Some weeks ago I complained to the Haifa Police about the number of cars which are parked on the pavements and which force pedestrians, including women pushing perambulators, to share traffic lanes with speeding cars and buses. The police replied that within

one year 15,000 cars had been added to the Haifa streets and there was nowhere else for them to park. Cars flood the roads, and if they can't be accommodated legally, then they must be accommodated illegally — even if it means trespassing on the pedestrian's rights.

What would the average citizen have to say if his neighbour claimed he no longer had enough space in his flat for his growing family and was therefore obliged to grab part of his neighbour's flat? The law would go after him. Then why is the car population allowed to spill wherever their fancy takes them —

on bus stops, on street corners, on pavements, in front of pedestrian crossings?

IT IS TIME that the authorities — and that means the Transport Ministry and the prime minister himself — take responsibility in the matter. If cars cannot be accommodated legally on the roads, they should not be accommodated at all. Haifa police discovered that the tow vehicle they were employing was ineffective in preventing obstructive parking, so instead of doubling or tripling the number of tow vehicles on the roads, they abolished towing

altogether! Is it any wonder that motorists develop contempt for the law and that accidents proliferate on the country's highways? The authorities must decide how many cars the country's roads and parking-spaces can safely accommodate and that is the number which must be allowed — no more.

Regulations against parking of fenders should be ruthlessly enforced. Students should be enrolled as part-time traffic wardens, and the number of tow vehicles should be increased five-fold. Towing should take place not only where obstruction is caused, but wherever cars are illegally parked. Fines should be raised to a level where they will constitute a real deterrent. The motor car has long ceased to be a status symbol. Its indiscriminate use should become so inconvenient that drivers will prefer to leave it at home whenever possible.

POSTSCRIPTS

TO SPITE HIS FACE. In Newcastle, Wyoming — a 22-year-old man accused of biting off his girlfriend's nose so she would not dance with other men has been convicted of felony mayhem. But she married him anyway.

A six-man, six-woman Weston County District Court jury decided that Russell Polston was guilty of biting the nose off Ginger Olsen, 19, in the parking lot of a Newcastle bar last December 19.

She has since married Polston and is undergoing reconstructive surgery.

Weston County Attorney, John

Sampson called it "a vicious, sickening act against peace and the dignity of society."

According to testimony in the two-day trial, Mrs. Polston had been dancing with someone else in the bar when Polston took her off the dance floor, put her in his pickup truck outside and bit off two-thirds of her nose.

The county attorney said the young woman married Polston the day of his preliminary hearing, January 13, apparently so she would not have to testify against him.

Polston is awaiting sentencing on the conviction, which carries a maximum penalty of 15 years in state prison.

READERS' LETTERS

DOUBLE STANDARD IN MIDDLE EAST

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — Two recent items in *The Post* provide further evidence of the existence of a deplorable double standard in Middle East affairs.

The official Lebanese inquiry into the massacre of Sabra and Shatila reportedly tries to whitewash the actual killers but "holds Israel responsible because (its) forces were in full control of the two camps..." (June 21).

By contrast, a letter of June 20 by UN Under-Secretary-General Brian Urquhart launches an intemperate attack on the Heritage Foundation, whose reports have carefully documented what amounts to UN complicity with the PLO in Palestinian refugee camps under UN supervision and PLO control, yet chooses to ignore the UN role in allowing PLO recruitment, military training, stockpiling of weapons, and even the actual basing of terrorist operations. These perversions of the letter and spirit of the UN Charter were finally admitted to by UN officials — but only after Heritage and others presented solid evidence which could not be explained away.

Needless to say, there has been no pressure to force the resignation of the responsible officials. Far from being in disgrace for their toleration, and indeed, complicity with international terrorism, they continue to draw generous UN salaries largely provided by the U.S. and other Western taxpayers.

The Lebanese report, in spite of its obvious shortcomings, does

provide two interesting items which the world press has managed to ignore. The media in the U.S. and elsewhere have constantly referred to the victims as "more than 400 men, women and children," without any attempt at a closer definition. The impression left with readers was that of a massacre of mostly women and children.

Now we are reminded by the report that 35 victims were women and children and 425 were men. Not only that, but nearly one-half of the total were not even Palestinians, but included Lebanese, Syrians, Pakistanis, Iranians, Algerians, and unidentified others. Perhaps some further investigation will reveal just what these people were doing in the refugee camps. Perhaps the Lebanese authorities will tell us some day — having subsequently arrested an unspecified but large number of "foreign elements," many of whom have never been heard from again.

There has been a curious lack of interest by Western reporters in pursuing such facts. In numerous reports, the Heritage Foundation, (an independent, privately-supported, conservative "think-tank") has exposed a persistent anti-Israel bias in the media; a fully documented account dealing with the Lebanon operation was published last winter in the journal *Policy Review*.

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DANGEROUS STREETS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — As residents of Ahad Haam and Bar Ilan streets in Tel Aviv, we are living in daily danger. The pavements are so crowded with cars that they are impossible to walk on.

This week an old woman fell down in the street when she was unable to use the pavement. It was a

miracle that she did not suffer more severe injuries than a few bruises. How can the Tel Aviv Municipality allow such a situation to continue?

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Tel Aviv.

GLIDER PILOTS

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — I refer to Meir Ronnen's book review, "Zeppelin warfare" which appeared on July 1.

Your book reviewer is apparently unaware that a number of glider pilots were recruited among German-speaking British soldiers, who were Jewish refugees. They were made instant sergeants, had their identity papers and names changed, and some of them are now

buried in foreign fields under crosses, while their families were killed in the extermination camps.

F. DARNELL

Jerusalem.

Meir Ronnen comments: The book makes mention that one of the first instructors was a German Jewish refugee. My own instructor was also a Jew who learned to fly in Germany.

KIBBUTZ BAMIDBAR

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post* Sir, — In 1933 the Agricultural Training Centre at Kibbutz Bamidbar was established.

Many of us who passed through it in the six years of its existence met

in 1958 at Kfar Shmaryahu and again in 1963 at Shefayim.

As the remaining mailing lists are obsolete, will all those who would like to attend a third reunion please contact Edith and Fred Wachs, P.O. Box 6223, Haifa 31060.

DISCRIMINATION AT BAR-ILAN

To the Editor of *The Jerusalem Post*

Sir, — An unfortunate inaccuracy appeared in a letter written by Bronislaw Bloch (June 28). The letter argued that because Bar-Ilan University receives funding from the Israeli government, Arab students and non-observant Jewish students should be allowed to live in the dormitories on campus. Had Mr. Bloch first checked with Bar-Ilan University, or any other university in Israel for that matter, he would have discovered that government funding is provided only for educational purposes and not for the maintenance of dormitory facilities. Therefore, universities are required to provide students with

education; the provision of dormitory space remains an optional privilege.

Each university in Israel determines its own criteria for allocating dormitory beds to its students. Unlike other universities, the dormitories at Bar-Ilan are not coeducational; separate facilities exist for men and women. Because Bar-Ilan is a religiously oriented university, it requires that dormitory residents behave in a manner befitting such an institution. Therefore, students that live on campus are expected to observe Sabbath, observe *kashrut* in dormitory kitchens, and attend synagogue services. These requirements enhance the religious

atmosphere on campus and are consistent with the philosophy of Bar-Ilan University.

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